

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
PROGRESS POLLUTION REPORT**

I. HEADING

Date: March 29, 1994

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Subject: Frontier Chemical Processes, Inc., Niagara Falls,
Niagara County, NY - Cyanides, Oxidizers, Flam-
mables, Corrosives, Halogenated and
Non-Halogenated Solvents

POLREP NO: Eighteen (18)

II. BACKGROUND

SITE/SPILL NO.:	AY
D.O. NO.:	0026-02-036
RESPONSE AUTHORITY:	CERCLA/SARA
NPL STATUS:	Non-NPL
START DATE:	December 22, 1992
APPROVAL STATUS:	Authorization of Funding from Deputy Regional Administrator
STATUS OF ACTION MEMO:	Signed May 17, 1993

III. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. See Polrep #1.

B. Actions Taken

1. The PRPs have removed their current cleanup contractor, Environmental Waste Technologies, and replaced them with Laidlaw Environmental Services (LES). LES, through the designated coordinator, has submitted a work plan to EPA for the forthcoming continuation of the removal of drums.
2. EPA has reviewed the Work Plan submitted by LES and has sent comments to the designated coordinator on March 28. Upon incorporation of EPA's comments, the Work Plan will be approved by EPA.
3. LES plans to mobilize cleanup teams to begin shipments of drums off-site in early April.
4. ERCS continues to provide maintenance and conduct winterizing activities. Due to the freeze/thaw weather conditions, numerous steam pipes ruptured; ERCS personnel promptly effects repairs. ERCS also continues to overpack leaking drums as necessary.
5. ERCS continued to collect and treat site storm-water runoff prior to approved discharge to the POTW.
6. The tank generator data base has been completed. EPA expects to notify the potentially responsible parties in the near future.
7. Waste shipments to date:

Date	# Of Loads	RCRA TSDF	Comments
12/10/93	2	APTUS	Flam. Liquid/Solid
12/10/93	1	APTUS	Lab Packs
12/16/93	1	ENVOTECH	Non-Haz Liquid/Solid
12/17/93	2	OMNI	Flam. Liquid
12/17/93	1	APTUS	Flam. Liquid/Solid
12/18/93	1	ENVOTECH	Non-Haz Liquid/Solid
12/18/93	1	APTUS	PCB/Poison
12/19/93	1	ENVOTECH	Non-Haz Liquid/Solid
12/21/93	1	ENVOTECH	Non-Haz Liquid/Solid
12/22/93	1	APTUS	Flam. Solid
12/27/93	1	ENVOTECH	Non-Haz Liquid/Solid
12/28/93	1	ENVOTECH	Non-Haz Liquid/Solid

C. Future Actions

1. Maintenance of the facility and 24-hour security will continue.
2. Notice letters to the tank PRPs are forthcoming.
3. Upon approval of the Work Plan, the drum removal action will continue.
4. An Action Memorandum to authorize additional funding is in EPA-HQ, awaiting approvals.
5. \$30,000 in funds from the EPA ceiling has been transferred to the cleanup contractor.

D. Key Issues

1. As part of the negotiated AOC, EPA will continue to provide maintenance support to the PRP contractor.
2. EPA continued to process information requests as PRPs telephone requests, and mail FOIA requests to the EPA-OSC.

IV. COST INFORMATION:

(Previous Contractor)
Amount Obligated to ETI

ETI Region II
Contract Costs
As of 12/17/93

Total
Remaining

\$ 1,135,000	\$ 1,130,000	\$ 5,000
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Amount Obligated to
Present Contract
(OHM)

OHM Region II
Contract costs
as of 3/28/94

\$ 430,000	\$ 390,000	\$ 40,000
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* EPA/TAT Costs	\$ 390,300	\$ 370,000	\$ 20,300
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Site Totals	\$ 1,955,300	\$1,890,000	\$ 65,300
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* Note \$ 241,700 funds from EPA and TAT were transferred into ERCS mitigation ceiling.